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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1654  
PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q86324

Noboru YAMAJI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/525,015

Group Art Unit: 1654

Confirmation No.: 5025

Examiner: Andrew D. KOSAR

Filed: February 17, 2005

For: AN AGENT FOR INHIBITING ARTICULAR CARTILAGE EXTRACELLULAR  
MATRIX DEGRADATION

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

A petition and the required fee for a one month extension are being submitted herewith to extend the time period for reply to the Office Action dated April 8, 2008 from July 8, 2008 to August 8, 2008. A Notice of Appeal and the required fee are also being submitted herewith.

In response to the Advisory Action dated July 3, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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